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U.S. GRASS AND LEGUME SEED

EXPORTS NEAR RECORD

U.S. grass and legume seed exports reached 54,436,000 pounds in the crop year ending June 30, 1963. This was the second highest export in history, exceeded only by the 63,119,000 pounds exported in 1960-61.

The best markets for U.S. grass and legume seeds were France, Canada, Italy, and Japan. France has been the best European market for U.S. seeds since 1959-60. West Germany, formerly our leading European customer, has decreased her imports of U.S. grass and legume seeds from a high of 8,403,000 pounds in 1956-57 to a low of 2,654,000 in 1961-62, with an increase to 3,921,000 in 1962-63.

Japan imports practically all her requirements of grass and legume seeds from the United States. These requirements have been expanding, and Japan has tripled her imports of U.S. grass and legume seeds during the last 6 years.

The value of U.S. grass and legume seed exports in the crop year ending June 30, 1963, was \$11,613,000.

GRASS AND LEGUME SEEDS: U.S. exports, crop years 1958-59 - 1962-63

Kind of seed	: 1958-59	: 1959-60	: 1960-61	: 1961-62	: 1962-63
	: 1,000	: 1,000	: 1,000	: 1,000	: 1,000
	: <u>pounds</u>	: <u>pounds</u>	: <u>pounds</u>	: <u>pounds</u>	: <u>pounds</u>
Alfalfa, certified	5,901	5,205	5,923	4,914	2,801
Alfalfa, uncertified ...	4,601	4,129	3,357	1,900	2,451
Alfalfa, total	10,502	9,334	9,280	6,814	5,252
Alsike	412	388	110	79	327
Ladino	1,570	1,801	1,955	1,888	2,448
Clovers, other	3,830	3,540	6,515	3,469	3,802
Bentgrass	3,712	4,879	3,141	4,793	4,129
Fescues	4,031	4,778	7,900	6,154	4,698
Kentucky bluegrass	2,203	943	1,576	784	612
Orchard	384	160	199	182	110
Redtop	425	494	1,572	1,615	1,083
Timothy	3,046	3,448	3,736	3,843	4,999
Grasses, other	8,488	16,477	27,135	19,758	26,976
Total	38,603	46,242	63,119	49,379	54,436

GRASS AND LEGUME SEEDS: U.S. exports and values, by countries of destination, July 1, 1962 - June 30, 1963

Country of destination	Alfalfa			Clovers			Grasses								Total	Value
	Cert.	Uncert.	Total	Alsike	Ladino	Other	Bent	Fescue	Ky. blue	Orchard	Redtop	Timothy	Other			
	1,000 lbs.	1,000 lbs.	1,000 lbs.	1,000 lbs.	1,000 lbs.	1,000 lbs.	1,000 lbs.	1,000 lbs.	1,000 lbs.	1,000 lbs.	1,000 lbs.	1,000 lbs.	1,000 lbs.	1,000 lbs.	1,000 dollars	
North America:																
Bahamas	--	--	--	--	--	--	6	--	--	--	--	1	--	40	47	
Barbados	--	--	--	--	4	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	4	1	
Bermuda	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	16	17	
Canada	1,728	--	1,728	--	544	200	425	199	435	--	212	2,362	2,360	9,465	2,943	
Costa Rica	--	1	1	--	--	1	--	1	--	1	--	--	--	5	9	
Guatemala	2	3	5	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	2	8	
Honduras	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	7	7	
Mexico	280	1,980	2,260	--	25	16	7	187	2	3	8	--	486	2,994	842	
Netherlands Antilles	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3	3	1	
Nicaragua	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	1	
El Salvador	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	1	
Trinidad	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	12	12	
Total	2,010	1,984	3,994	1	573	217	438	388	437	4	222	3,362	2,932	12,568	3,819	
South America:																
Argentina	--	--	--	4	--	40	3	22	--	--	--	4	76	149	35	
Bolivia	5	14	19	--	--	--	5	5	--	5	--	--	1	35	11	
Brazil	1	4	5	--	9	1	--	18	--	--	--	--	22	55	23	
Chile	198	67	265	--	180	200	--	80	--	--	--	--	324	1,049	434	
Colombia	5	18	23	4	5	29	1	13	1	15	1	--	270	362	59	
Ecuador	--	--	--	--	3	6	--	--	--	--	--	--	24	33	8	
Peru	--	--	--	--	1	3	--	--	--	2	--	--	6	12	8	
Uruguay	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	267	--	--	--	--	--	267	54	
Venezuela	3	4	7	1	4	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	21	33	15	
Total	212	107	319	9	202	279	9	405	1	22	1	4	744	1,995	647	
Europe:																
Austria	--	--	--	--	--	--	17	--	--	--	4	--	700	721	48	
Azores	--	--	--	--	6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	6	4	
Belgium	--	--	--	27	33	176	162	141	5	--	--	101	577	1,222	273	
Denmark	55	--	55	--	44	17	91	9	--	--	6	--	229	451	112	
Finland	--	--	--	--	--	34	68	--	--	--	--	--	199	301	53	
France	--	4	4	40	419	165	202	253	4	--	160	334	12,017	13,598	1,327	
West Germany	213	83	296	90	57	1,046	441	688	49	--	541	65	639	3,921	1,116	
Greece	245	--	245	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	245	114	
Iceland	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	4	--	--	--	--	--	4	1	
Ireland	--	--	--	--	--	22	27	42	--	--	--	110	--	201	47	
Italy	--	--	--	--	25	148	82	52	--	1	28	21	4,667	5,024	412	
Netherlands	--	204	204	66	27	493	904	172	56	1	41	33	1,289	3,296	772	
Norway	--	--	--	--	--	30	--	--	8	--	7	--	44	89	16	
Spain	14	--	14	--	--	--	--	4	--	--	--	--	63	87	12	
Sweden	4	27	31	--	--	1	416	405	--	--	--	--	--	853	212	
Switzerland	--	--	--	--	113	74	79	22	2	--	56	--	366	712	161	
Turkey	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	1	
U.S.S.R.	1	--	1	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	2	
United Kingdom	--	--	--	--	--	11	903	1,666	--	--	11	--	79	2,670	606	
Total	532	318	850	232	724	2,188	3,422	3,458	124	2	854	664	20,877	33,405	5,289	
Asia:																
Afghanistan	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	2	1/	
Arabia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	2	3	
Iran	16	--	16	--	1	11	--	5	--	1	--	--	32	66	19	
Iraq	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3	3	2	
Israel	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	1	1	
Japan	27	12	39	58	505	1,044	85	158	38	64	6	964	1,373	4,334	1,229	
Jordan	--	1	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	1	
Korea, Republic of	--	5	5	--	16	25	--	24	--	15	--	5	14	104	40	
Lebanon	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3	3	2	
Masei Islands	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	15	15	6	
Pakistan	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	1/	
Philippines, Republic of	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	8	8	1	
Saudi Arabia	--	1	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	1/	
Total	43	19	62	58	522	1,080	86	187	38	80	6	969	1,453	4,541	1,304	
Africa:																
British East Africa	--	2	2	--	--	--	--	4	--	--	--	--	--	6	1	
Canary Islands	--	1	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	1/	
Liberia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	1	
Libya	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	--	--	6	8	3	
Rhodesia-Nyasaland	4	--	4	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	4	2	
South Africa, Republic of	--	--	--	--	15	3	--	7	1	--	--	--	103	129	26	
Tunisia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	8	1	
Total	4	3	7	--	15	3	--	11	1	2	--	--	119	158	34	
Oceania:																
Australia	--	20	20	27	402	35	174	249	11	--	--	--	806	1,724	515	
New Zealand	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	45	45	7	
Total	--	20	20	27	402	35	174	249	11	--	--	--	851	1,769	522	
Grand total	2,801	2,451	5,252	327	2,448	3,802	4,129	4,698	612	110	1,083	4,999	26,976	54,436	11,613	
Total value (1,000 dollars)	1,402	795	2,197	57	1,589	1,715	1,234	902	326	32	300	812	2,449	--	11,613	

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